

Ray, New Open Champion, Says He'll Return in 1921 To Defend Big Golf Honors

Britain's Victory by Stroke at Inverness Emphasizes Value of the Wallop.

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TOLEDO, O., Aug. 14.—TED RAY'S victory in the national open championship only emphasizes the value of the wallop in golf. He outdrove every one else many yards and his game was more consistent. While Vardon, Diegel, Barnes, and Hutchinson all cracked toward the nerve-racking finish, Ray, puffing furiously on his pipe, remained steady and slipped in by a single stroke ahead of the strongest field that ever gathered in this country.

Ray's victory at Inverness is the first time since 1910 that a foreign-born golfer has captured the national open title. The present visit is the second time Ray has come to the United States in quest of golf honors. Back in 1913 Ray and Vardon made their bid for the national open title at Brookline, only to be tied by Edw. H. Bennett, a Boston lad, who defeated both Britons in a sensational playoff.

Ray and Vardon were outstanding favorites for the tournament here, but up to the last few minutes it was Vardon who loomed up as the victor.

Ray is a picturesque figure on the links. Standing 6 feet 2 inches and weighing 215 pounds, the new holder of the American title has been sweating golf balls with considerable success for twenty years. On the other side he has been a consistent tournament performer, winning the British title in 1913. In the recent championship at Deal Ray finished third, three strokes behind George Duncan. The most effective part of Ray's is his tremendous driving. He frequently complained that the rather narrow Inverness links made it too dangerous for him to let out to the last notch, but even with this precaution the big fellow quite often whistled tee shots that traveled 340 yards. This long range driving left Ray very little to do on his second shot, which really explains why he took only one six during the entire seventy-two-hole championship. No one else equalled this for consistent golf.

There were only two strokes difference between Ray's high and low rounds. They were 74, 73, and 75. Ray's wonderful showing in the championship came only after a strenuous effort to qualify. At one time the new champion didn't think he would get in for the tournament, because of an 80 taken on the first qualifying round.

RAY SAYS HE'LL DEFEND TITLE HERE NEXT YEAR.

The great Briton, when accepting the silver cup that goes back to England in October said he would return here next year and defend his title.

Ray is now forty-two and his chief ambition is to surpass Vardon's feat of being a strong contender at fifty. The final two rounds in the championship were swifter than the first two. With a 71 Vardon led the field at the end of the third round, and stroke ahead of Leo Diegel and Jack Hutchinson and two strokes in front of Jim Barnes and Bobby Jones, the eighteen-year-old Atlanta amateur, whose 70 was the best round of the day.

Haren, defending title holder, stumbled during the third round and was no longer a serious factor. His game throughout the meet had been unsteady, especially the putting, and when the former champion needed 41 strokes to cover the opening nine holes his supporters reluctantly shifted to other leaders.

The final round started under a blazing sun. The gallery doted like a swarm of ants on the links, and the sun, looking first at this match and then at that one, and breathlessly hoping that one of the home favorites would out loose and repel the threatened victorious rush of the invading Britons.

Vardon, out in the lead, played safely over the nine holes in 35

"ALSO RANS" IN BIG BATTLE ON THE INVERNESS LINKS

The scores of those who finished behind the first sixteen were as follows:

Player	Club	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Edw. H. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	74	73	75	76	298
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	75	74	76	77	302
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	76	75	77	78	306
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	77	76	78	79	310
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	78	77	79	80	314
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	79	78	80	81	318
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	80	79	81	82	322
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	81	80	82	83	326
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	82	81	83	84	330
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	83	82	84	85	334
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	84	83	85	86	338
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	85	84	86	87	342
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	86	85	87	88	346
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	87	86	88	89	350
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	88	87	89	90	354
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	89	88	90	91	358
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	90	89	91	92	362
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	91	90	92	93	366
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	92	91	93	94	370
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	93	92	94	95	374
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	94	93	95	96	378
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	95	94	96	97	382
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	96	95	97	98	386
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	97	96	98	99	390
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	98	97	99	100	394
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	99	98	100	101	398
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	100	99	101	102	402
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	101	100	102	103	406
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	102	101	103	104	410
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	103	102	104	105	414
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	104	103	105	106	418
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	105	104	106	107	422
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	106	105	107	108	426
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	107	106	108	109	430
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	108	107	109	110	434
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	109	108	110	111	438
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	110	109	111	112	442
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	111	110	112	113	446
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	112	111	113	114	450
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	113	112	114	115	454
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	114	113	115	116	458
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	115	114	116	117	462
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	116	115	117	118	466
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W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	145	144	146	147	582
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	146	145	147	148	586
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W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	219	218	220	221	878
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	220	219	221	222	882
W. J. Bennett	Brookline, Mass.	221	220			